

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

The paragraph in the specification from page 2, line 30 to page 3, line 10 is hereby amended to read as follows:

The invention is described in greater detail below with reference to an exemplary embodiment shown in the drawing. The Figure shows a sectional view of a fixing device 1 according to the invention for fixing a glass panel 2. The fixing element has an anchor bolt 3 with an external thread 4 as fixing means and an anchoring zone 5 having a portion 6 that widens conically in cross-section in the direction of insertion. The external thread 4 can be used for attachment to a supporting structure (not shown), for example with the aid of nuts, washers or the like. The anchoring zone 5 has a silicone-containing covering 7 which is surrounded by a cured composition 8. The drilled hole 9 has a conical undercut 10 which prevents the cured composition 8 from being capable of being pulled out of the drilled hole 9 through detachment from the wall 11 of the drilled hole. The thickness of the covering 7 is so chosen that the portion of widened cross-section 6 of the anchoring zone 5 forms an undercut in the cured composition 8 independently of the covering. As a result, the anchor bolt 3 cannot be pulled out of the cured composition 8 even when the covering 7 has been completely displaced. Displacements in all directions of about twice the thickness of the covering and an inclination of about 10 degrees are nevertheless possible, as depicted by the broken line in the Figure representing such displacement of the anchor bolt.